



REMC Statute

Technical Update

Genesis of REMC



In July 2021, regional Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPC) were replaced with one statewide Local Emergency Planning Committee.

As noted in statute (Sec. 12. 20 V.S.A. § 6) Vermont Emergency Management will establish Regional Emergency Management Committees that

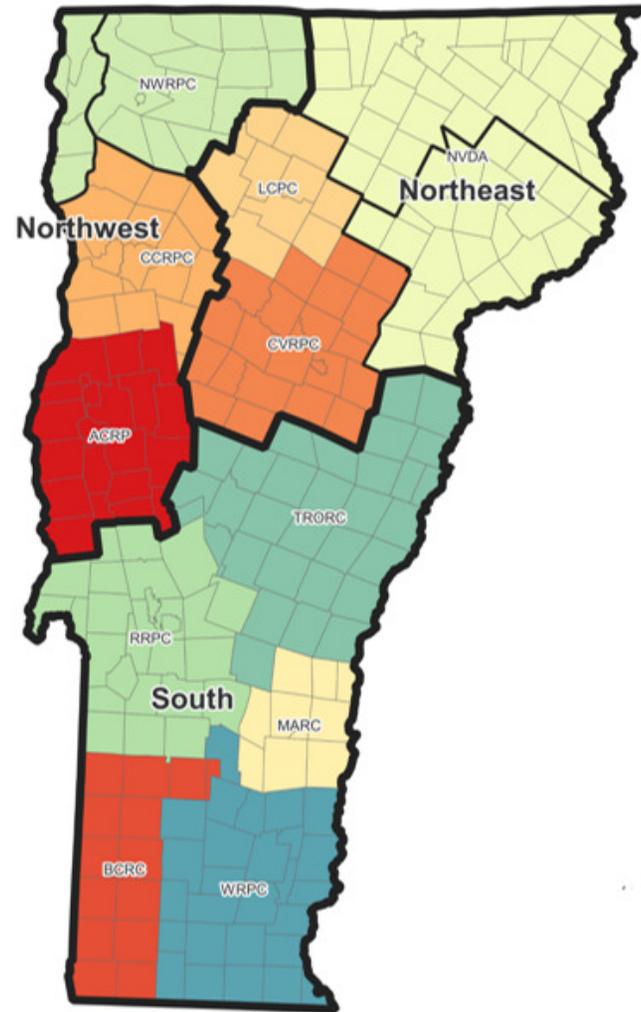
“shall coordinate emergency planning and preparedness activities to improve their regions’ ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from all disasters.”

September 2, 2021 through November 1, 2021 served as a transition period.

13 Regional Emergency Management Committees



-  VEM Regional Coordinator
-  Towns
- Regional Planning Commissions
-  Addison County RPC
-  Bennington County RC
-  Central Vermont RPC
-  Chittenden County RPC
-  Lamoille County PC
-  Mount Ascutney RC
-  Northeastern Vermont Dev. Assoc.
-  Northwest RPC
-  Rutland Regional PC
-  Two Rivers-Ottawaquechee RC
-  Windham RC





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Responsibilities of each Regional Emergency Management Committee

- Coordinate and support regional all-hazards emergency management activities, including planning, training & exercising. Meet at least quarterly.
- Members shall develop and maintain a regional plan and submit it to their Vermont Emergency Management Regional Coordinator annually. This plan will describe regional coordination and regionally available resources.
- 1 individual, elected from each membership, shall represent the Regional Emergency Management Committee on the statewide Local Emergency Planning Committee. This individual will receive information about Hazardous Materials within their region and share it with Regional Emergency Management Committee members.
- 1 individual, elected from each membership, shall represent the Regional Emergency Management Committee in the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR). This individual will report on the current capabilities and gaps in the region's response to threats/hazards.
- 1 individual, elected from each, shall represent the Regional Emergency Management Committee in the Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop (IPPW). This individual will report on the plans, trainings, & exercises needed or planned for the region over the next 3 years.

Quorum Language Change



Current

Voting members - The local emergency management director or designee and one representative from each town and city in the region shall serve as the voting members of the committee.

Quorum is a majority

Proposed

Proposing to lower regional emergency management committees' quorum requirements to five voting members until December 31, 2023 then permit a committee to subsequently vote to modify its quorum requirements upon initially meeting.

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